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Applicant(s): Wolfgang Oelerich et al.

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Title: METAL-CONTAINING ELECTRODE MATERIAL USED AT LEAST
IN SECONDARY CELLS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE
SAME

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

November 15, 2001

SIR:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Enclosed is an English language translation of the German Text of the application, which has been prepared by the undersigned.

The undersigned certifies that it is an accurate translation of the German text.

Enclosed are further a substitute specification and a mark-up specification showing the changes made in the substitute specification.

The fee calculation should be based on the amended English language text as presented in the substitute specification.

The fee of \$130.-- set forth in 37CFR 1.17(i) is being charged to the deposit account of the undersigned.

A certified copy of German application No. 199 15 142.3 is also enclosed in support of the claim for priority.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "K. Bach".

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